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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6065 NOTE PREPARED: Oct 30, 2008

BILL NUMBER: HB 1086 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Coverage for Dialysis Treatment.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Fry

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State

 $\overline{\underline{X}}$ DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> The bill specifies requirements related to accident and sickness insurer and health maintenance organization contracting with dialysis facilities, and benefits, payment, and billing for dialysis treatment.

(The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the Interim Study Committee on Dialysis Coverage.)

Effective Date: Upon passage.

Explanation of State Expenditures: Under certain circumstances, if parties subject to binding arbitration do not agree upon a neutral arbitrator within two weeks, the Commissioner of the Department of Insurance (DOI) must select a neutral arbitrator. The bill also provides that the DOI may adopt rules to implement this and other provisions of the bill. The above provisions will increase administrative expenses for the DOI; however, the DOI has existing resources to cover the adoption of rules and the selection of an arbitrator. In FY 2008, the DOI did not revert any money to the state General Fund. The DOI is funded by both state General and dedicated funds.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: DOI.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: State Budget Agency.

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